GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

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National Youth Corps Scheme
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether National Youth Corps (NYC) scheme to engage youth in the age-group of 18-25 years as volunteers to serve upto maximum two years in nation-building activities has been launched by the Central Government;
(b) if so, the complete details and the salient features thereof;
(c) whether the Union Government has assessed its contribution in the nation building and if so, the details thereof;
(d) whether the Union Government has fixed minimum qualification and honorarium for NYC volunteers and if so, the details thereof;
(e) whether the Union Government has received complaints in the selection of volunteers and if so, the number of complaints received by the Union Government during the last three years, State-wise; and
(f) the action taken by the Union Government on these complaints?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS
(SHRI VIJAY GOEL)

(a)&(b) Yes, Madam. The Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports introduced a scheme called National Youth Corps (NYC) Scheme during 2010-11. The salient features of the NYC scheme are as follows:-
? The objective of the Scheme is to setup a group of disciplined and dedicated youth who have the inclination and spirit to engage in the task of nation building, to facilitate the realization of inclusive growth (both social and economic), to act as points for dissemination of information, basic knowledge in the community, to act as group modulators and peer group educators and to act as role models for the younger cohort especially towards enhancement of public ethics, probity and dignity of labour.
? There is a District Level selection committee under the Chairpersonship of concerned DM/DC for selection of volunteers.
? As per the provision of the scheme, a total of 12,000 volunteers are being deployed every year. Presently, two volunteers per block are being deployed as volunteers.
? Volunteers in the age group of 18-25 were deployed for maximum period of 2 year duration only. Each volunteer is being paid Rs. 2,500/- as monthly honorarium.
? Newly deployed volunteers are being provided 15 days induction training. In the second year, volunteers are being provided 7 days refresher training.
? The Volunteers act as extended arm of NYKS for implementation of various schemes/ programmes/ initiatives of NYKS.
(c) During 2014, the Ministry got the Scheme evaluated through an independent evaluation agency. The action points /outcome of the evaluation is at Annexure−I.
(d) The minimum qualification for deployment as volunteer is Class 10th Pass. Volunteers in the age group of 18-25 years are deployed for maximum period of 2 years. Each volunteer is being paid Rs. 2,500/- as monthly honorarium.
(e)&(f) Total seven complaints (1 from Odisha and 2 each from Bihar, Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh) were received during the last three years. State Directors of NYKS of concerned States were directed to conduct enquiry on the complaints.
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